

2006 ELECTION

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 15



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To the voters of Kauai and Niihau, it has been an honor and a privilege to have represented you for the past 9 1/2 years on the County Council, After 5 terms on the Council, I feel it's time to put my County experience to work at the State level, where I can represent my constituency on a broader range of issues.

For the past three years, I have been vice chair of the County Council and during my tenure on the Council; I have served as chair of the following Council committee:

intergovernmental relations, finance and economic development. Currently I Chair the Parks & Public Works committee, and was the Council's representative in both the Hawaii State Association of Counties (HSAC) and the National Association of Counties (NACo), and was the executive board member for both HSAC and NACo.

Supported a 2% cap on all permanent home so no matter what the value of your home is, your property tax can go up no higher than 2%.

Authored a bill to ban smoking in all eating establishments.

Lobbied for additional monies for road resurfacing, parks, and neighborhood center improvements.

Lobbied for and received monies, from the federal budget through Senator Inouye's office, for the war on drugs.

When elected to the State House, I will continue to be the eyes and ears for our community, especially for the many people who feel uncomfortable about testifying at public hearings and need assistance with the public process.